



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Boris V. Marchegiani  
Serial No.: 09/496,389  
Filed: February 2, 2000  
For: "Method and System for Automated Auction and Tender of Complex  
Multivariable Commodities"  
Examiner: Ella Colbert  
Art Unit: 3624

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated December 23, 2005 in the above-identified application. With the extension, this Response is due on or before May 23, 2006. A check in the amount of \$225.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

Although Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 33925-002).

Respectfully submitted,

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